



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re Application
Inventors: DeOrnellas, et al.
Application No.: 09/692,007
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Filed: October 19, 2000
Title: METHOD FOR USING A HARD MASK FOR
CRITICAL DIMENSION GROWTH
CONTAINMENT

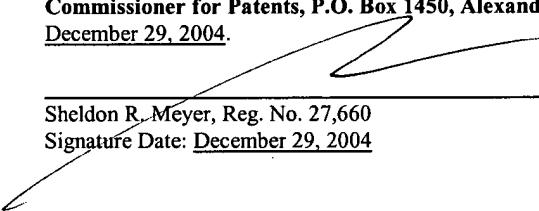
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- A Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 to the Office Action dated _____.
- A Petition for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136.
- Applicant(s) qualify for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

An executed Declaration Under Rule 131 (along with an unsigned Declaration for reference) and copies of lab notebook entries which include: (1) pages 77, 78 and 81-83 from the lab notebook of Kurt Olson; and (2) pages 53-100 from the lab notebook of Alfred Cofer.

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TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	<u>36</u> * -	<u>41</u> **	<u>0</u>	X \$ 25.00 X \$ 50.00	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	<u>9</u> * -	<u>10</u> ***	<u>0</u>	X \$ 100.00 X \$ 200.00	\$0
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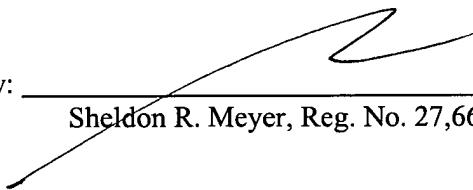
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